PUBLIC NOTICE SC Department of Health and Environmental Control Bureau of Water 2600 Bull Street Columbia, South Carolina 29201

Public Notice No. 15-164-M

NOTICE OF PROPOSED MODIFICATION OF A NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT

Date: August 13, 2015

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) proposes to modify the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit #SC0023477, issued to SAGE AUTO INTERIORS/SHARON PLT, (ABBEVILLE COUNTY/GREENWOOD EQC OFFICE) 601 BROOKS ST, ABBEVILLE, SC 29620-2467. The facility is located at 1359 Highway 72 West, Abbeville, South Carolina, Abbeville County. The facility has 1 discharge point: 001-sanitary wastewater, air washer water, recirculated non-contact cooling water, stormwater and miscellaneous wastewaters, discharging to: unnamed tributary to Hilbern Creek to Calhoun Creek to Little River; The Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code for the facility is 2221. The receiving streams are classified Class FW: freshwaters suitable for primary and secondary contact recreation and as a source for drinking water supply after conventional treatment in accordance with the requirements of the Department. Suitable for fishing and the survival and propagation of a balanced indigenous aquatic community of fauna and flora. Suitable also for industrial and agricultural uses. The analysis for permit limits in this permit included less stringent alternative criteria in accordance with Part E.14.c(7) of SC Regulation 61-68, Water Classifications and Standards, for one or more parameters. The determination to set site-specific effluent limits or not limit certain parameters was based on such criteria. A fact sheet is available.

The proposed modifications are as follows:

Part IV.A.1:

- (1) The December 1, 2014 and June 1, 2015 compliance schedule dates have been removed as these dates have passed;
- (2) The December 1, 2015 date to submit in an interim progress date has been revised to reflect that the permittee must either submit in a PER which clearly describes how the facility will attain compliance with the whole effluent toxicity limits on page 21 of the permit. If a new, modification, or upgrade to the facility is not needed to comply with the limits, the permittee must submit a letter requesting that final limits become effective immediately.
- (3) Language for the June 1, 2016 date to submit in a construction permit application has been revised. By June 1, 2016 the permittee shall submit in a construction permit application for construction of any wastewater treatment facilities and/or collection systems needed to meet the whole effluent toxicity limits of page 21 of the permit. The allowance to submit in a progress report for this date has been removed.

 (4) Language for the June 1, 2017 date to obtain an operating permit has been revised. "If needed" was removed from the first sentence and the allowance to submit in a progress report for this date has been removed.

Part IV.A.2:

(5) The December 1, 2014 date to submit in a confirmatory Water Effect Ratio (WER) has been removed as this date has passed.

Persons wishing to comment on or object to the permit modifications are invited to submit same in writing within thirty (30) days of the date of this notice to the attention of: Ms. Melanie Townley; SC DHEC; Water Facilities Permitting Division; 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201; Telephone: 803-898-4223. The permit number should be placed at the top of the first page of comments. When there is a significant degree of public interest in a permit or group of permits, the Department may hold a public hearing. SC DHEC is not involved in zoning, land use, or property value issues. Please contact your local County or Municipal officials for questions or concerns on these issues.

All comments received within the 30-day period will be considered in the formulation of final determinations regarding the permit. All persons submitting written comments will be notified of the final determinations. Requests for adjudicatory hearings may be filed after the above described determinations have been made. Additional information regarding adjudicatory hearings is available from the Legal Office at the above Department address or by calling 803-898-3350.

Additional information on proposed permit determinations and on hearing procedures is available by writing or calling the Department at the above address or telephone number. Copies of a specific application or draft permit of interest to an individual, organization, or company must be requested in writing. A fee schedule has been established for processing these requests: Reproduction of documents - \$0.25 per page. Requests must be mailed to the Freedom of Information Office at 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201, phone number: 803-898-3882; or requests may be faxed to the Freedom of Information Office at 803-898-3816. Arrangements can be made to review all the permit information at the Freedom of Information Office on the third floor of the Sims Building across from Peeples Auditorium.

Please bring the foregoing to the attention of persons you know will be interested in this matter.